

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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JJI-49 CON

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP Chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 12]

(Preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive Title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 7]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]

a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:

i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or

ii. ☐ paper

c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)

11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement

(IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS

Citations

13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

(Should be specifically itemized)

15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. ☐ Request and Certifications under 35 U.S.C. 122

(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.

17. ☐ Other

18. ☐ If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/665,668, filed September 20, 2000; which is a continuation of application No. 09/232,544, filed January 18, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,162,243 and claims priority from application nos. 60/010,686, now abandoned; 60/017,479, filed April 26, 1996, now abandoned; 60/017,415, filed May 8, 1996, now abandoned; and 60/024,110, filed August 16, 1996, now abandoned.

Prior application information: Examiner V.Q. Bui Group Art Unit: 3731

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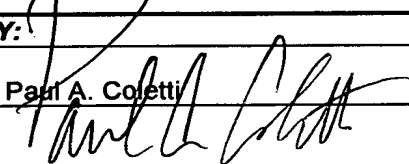
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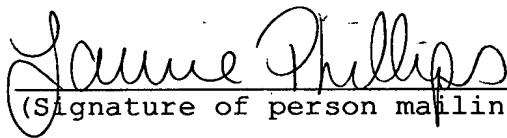
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